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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, MARCH 24, 1999

APPLICATION OF

MOUNTAINVIEW WATER COMPANY, INC.

CASE NO. PUE990007

For authority to amend its  
certificate of public  
convenience and necessity

ORDER INVITING WRITTEN COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR HEARING

On January 25, 1999, Mountainview Water Company, Inc. ("Mountainview" or "the Company") filed an application requesting authority to amend its certificate of public convenience and necessity, No. W-263(a), to provide water service in certain parts of Botetourt County, Virginia. In its application, the Company requests authority to provide water service to a planned commercial development on a 13.25 acre tract fronting Alternate U.S. Route 220; and to a planned residential development that will adjoin the Steeplechase Subdivision and will consist of approximately 50 houses. The Company proposes to provide service under the same rate, rules, and regulations as contained in its tariff on file with the Commission, and under which it currently serves its existing customers.

That tariff is as follows:

Water Rates:

1. Service Connections:
  - (a) 3/4 inch service connection \$670 plus a gross up for taxes.
  - (b) Service connection over 3/4 inch \$670 plus applicable fees, plus cost to Company greater than for 3/4 inch connection plus gross up for taxes.
2. Monthly Usage Rates:

|                             |                           |
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| For the first 3,500 gallons | \$ 16.50 (minimum charge) |
| For the next 3,000 gallons  | \$ 3.00 per 1000 gallons  |
| For all over 6500 gallon    | \$ 3.75 per 1000 gallons  |
3. Minimum Charge:

There shall be a monthly minimum service charge of \$16.50 for water service, and no bill will be rendered for less than the minimum charge. This minimum monthly service charge shall become effective when the water service is connected to the lot.

The Company renders its bills in arrears on a bi-monthly basis.

Mountainview charges a customer deposit equal to a customer's estimated bill for two months' usage, a \$45.00 meter test charge if the meter has no average error greater than two percent and has been tested within the prior two years, and a \$25.00 turn-on charge. The turn-on charge is to restore service in the event service has been disconnected for non-payment of any bill or for violation of the Company's rules and regulations of service. In addition, Mountainview has a bad check charge of \$6.00 and a late payment fee of 1 1/2% per month on all past due balances.

The Company's tariff with its rules and regulations of service may be reviewed during regular business hours at the Commission's Document Control Center, Tyler Building, First Floor, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia and at the Company's office located at 3451 Brandon Avenue, Box 12, Roanoke, Virginia 24018, during the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

NOW THE COMMISSION, having considered the Company's application, is of the opinion and finds that this application should be docketed, the Staff should investigate and analyze the application and present its recommendations to the Commission and that the public should have an opportunity to comment and request a hearing on the application. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) This matter is docketed and assigned Case No. PUE990007.

(2) The Company shall make a copy of its application and exhibits available for public inspection at its offices, Mountainview Water Company, Inc., 3451 Brandon Avenue, Box 12, Roanoke, Virginia 24018, during the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

(3) Any interested person wishing to comment on the application shall, on or before April 22, 1999, address such comments to: Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission,

c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218 and shall refer to Case No. PUE990007. A copy of such comments shall be simultaneously sent to the Company as follows: Margaret Holdaway, Mountainview Water Company, Inc., 3451 Brandon Avenue, Box 12, Roanoke, Virginia 24018.

(4) On or before April 22, 1999, any person desiring a hearing in this matter shall file a request for hearing in writing with Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218 and shall refer in his or her request to Case No. PUE990007. A copy of such request shall be simultaneously sent to the Company as follows: Margaret Holdaway, Mountainview Water Company, Inc., 3451 Brandon Avenue, Box 12, Roanoke, Virginia 24018.

(5) Appropriate members of the Commission's Staff shall review the application and shall submit, on or before May 13, 1999, a report presenting their findings and recommendations.

(6) On or before April 8, 1999, the Company shall cause to be published the following notice, which may appear as classified advertising, in a newspaper of general circulation in the proposed service territory:

NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF  
MOUNTAINVIEW WATER COMPANY, INC.  
TO AMEND ITS CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC  
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY  
CASE NO. PUE990007

Notice is hereby given that Mountainview Water Company, Inc. ("Mountainview" or "the Company") has applied to the State Corporation Commission to amend its certificate of public convenience and necessity permitting it to provide water service in certain parts of Botetourt County, Virginia. In its application, the Company requests authority to provide water service to a planned commercial development on a 13.25 acre tract fronting Alternate U.S. Route 220; and to a planned residential development that will adjoin the Steeplechase Subdivision. The Company proposes to provide service pursuant to its tariff which it currently serves its existing customers.

That tariff is as follows:

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A copy of the Company's application is available for public inspection at the Company's office located at 3451 Brandon Avenue, Box 12, Roanoke, Virginia 24018, during the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The application is also available for public inspection Monday through Friday, 8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the State Corporation Commission, Document Control Center, First Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia.

Comments on this application must be submitted to the Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218, on or before April 22, 1999. Requests for

hearing must also be received by the Clerk on or before April 22, 1999. All correspondence should refer to Case No. PUE990007. A copy of the comments or requests for hearing must also be sent to the Company as follows: Margaret Holdaway, Mountain View Water Company, Inc., 3451 Brandon Avenue, Box 12, Roanoke, Virginia 24018.

If no request for hearing are received, a formal hearing with oral testimony may not be held.

MOUNTAIN VIEW WATER COMPANY, INC.

(7) The Company forthwith serve a copy of this Order on the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of any county and upon the Mayor or Manager of any county, city, or town (or equivalent officials in counties, towns, and cities having alternate forms of government) lying within the Company's service area. Service shall be made by first-class mail or delivery to the customary place of business or residence of the person served.

(8) On or before April 22, 1999, the company shall provide the Commission with proof of notice required in Ordering Paragraphs (6) and (7).